Sri B. P. NAGARAJA MURTHY.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that many of these journals have not received any such intimation ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Quite possible.

Sri B. P. NAGARAJA MURTHY.—What is the reason ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—If a specific paper is mentioned, I will be able to tell the Hon'ble Member.

Sri B. P. NAGARAJA MURTHY.—Are the Government aware that the system of accreditation of journalists is in vogue in the neighbouring Madras State and Bombay State ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I do not know about the neighbouring States. But it is in the Centre.

Sri B. P. NAGARAJA MURTHY.—Will the Government propose to have such accreditation here also ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—We tried in the matter. But the Press has not co-operated and we were not able to proceed further.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Is it not a fact that invitations were extended to papers like the "Deccan Herald" and the "Prajavani" to attend Khedda operations ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—That does not arise out of this question.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Is it not a fact, because that comes under the category of invitation ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—But the question here is accreditation.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—In what respects the Press has not co-operated ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I am glad the Hon'ble Member has put that question. The rules available in the Centre were taken up by the Mysore Government and they were finalised and invitations were sent to all the Press people to follow up that procedure. And in accordance with that, information was sought and when applications were also called for, several of them did not respond and the few that responded did not give full information.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—What are those papers that did not respond and those that did respond ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I want notice.

Sri P. R. RAMAIYA.—May I know what the Government mean when they say that there is no system of accreditation of journalists in the State ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—That arises when there are rules regarding accreditation.

Sri P. R. RAMAIYA.—Does not accreditation mean that each paper has got a representative to report and he should attend the Press Room and get the several orders of Government ? Is that the meaning of the word 'accreditation', when it is said that every newspaper who has got its representative, will be allowed to get into the Press Room and get the Government orders and other matters ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—The Hon'ble Member knows it and he is correct.

Sri P. R. RAMAIYA.—Was not such a system in vogue in Mysore ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I have answered that question. We tried ; but on account of want of good response from the Press we were not able to follow it up.

Sri P. R. RAMAIYA.—Now, is not admission to the Press Room restricted to those people who have received Press Passes from the Chief Secretary to Government ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Yes.

Sri P. R. RAMAIYA.—Are not the Government aware that admission to the Press Gallery is restricted to those who have been accredited by the Press Gallery Committee ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Minister need not answer that question. It does not arise. It is under the Speaker's jurisdiction.

Separation of Judiciary from the Executive.

Q.—781. Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the steps taken by them to separate the Judiciary from the Executive in the State ;

(*b*) whether the Government have prepared a scheme in this behalf;

(*c*) whether any proposals have been formulated by the High Court in the matter of separation of powers;

(*d*) the action taken by them thereon;

(*e*) the position in the Bellary District?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) to (*d*) A draft scheme for the separation of the Judiciary from the Executive in the State was prepared by the Law Secretariat. The High Court of Mysore, the Advocate-General in Mysore, the District Magistrates of Districts, the Law Associations at District Headquarters and the State Judical Officers' Association, who had been consulted in the matter, have furnished their views. The matter is under consideration of Government.

(*e*) With the integration of Bellary District in the Mysore State, the Deputy Commissioner, Bellary District has been appointed the District Magistrate of the said District. The other Criminal Courts functioning in Bellary District as on 1st October 1953 for the disposal of criminal cases have been continued. At the time of implementation of the scheme of separation of Judiciary from the Executive in the State, the scheme will be introduced in Bellary District.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Are the Government aware that the High Court also had submitted a scheme to the Goverment three years ago?

* Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I have said that the High Court has sent its recommendations.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—You have answered that a scheme prepared by the Law Secretariat was sent to the High Court and that its views have been received. But what I am saying is, a scheme has been prepared by the High Court (with Sri Justice Mallappa as the authority) and sent up to Government for consideration. Is it not?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—There was a previous report also.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—What is the difference between these two schemes?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I want notice for that.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—How long is the scheme of separation under the consideration of the Government?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Under this Government for the last two years nearly.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—What exactly are the practical difficulties in the matter of implementation of the scheme?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Mostly financial.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The whole thing is under consideration of the Government: it is said so in the answer. Please see the last sentence in the first para of the answer.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—What is the amount that is involved for the introduction of the scheme?

Mr. SPEAKER.—This question was taken up when a similar question was put and a number of supplementaries were answered. Next question.

Second Feeder Channel to Akkiramapura Tank.

Q.—798. Sri MUDDURAMIAH (Koratagere—Madhugiri).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the raiyats of Akkiramapura, Holavanahalli Hobli, Koratagere Taluk, have submitted a representation requesting for the construction of a separate feeder channel for the reason that the waters flowing from the present feeder channel of the Jayamangali river near Holavanahalli is not reaching their tank due to the obstruction caused by its supply to the lands forming the atchkat of Sompura;

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) Yes.